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14 March 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of OCB Luncheon Meeting, 13 March 1957

PRESENT: Mr. Herter, Mr. Cutler, Mr. Dulles, Mr. Gray,
Mr. Sprague, Mr. Hollister, Mr. Washburn,
Mr. Stassen, Mr. Staats

1. NSC Activities

Mr. Cutler reviewed for the Board current NSC activities.

2. Meeting of OCB Officials with Mr. Herter

Mr. Cutler suggested that a meeting be held of all members of the OCB Staff with Mr. Herter for the purpose of introducing Mr. Herter and affording an opportunity for them to get acquainted. The DCI suggested that this meeting might also include representatives of all Government agencies who are concerned with OCB matters.

3. Sanitization of OCB Information for Release to Public

Mr. Herter said that he has been impressed with a number of the papers presented to the OCB and that they contain information which he thinks would be of great value to the public. He suggested that if a way could be found to sanitize some of this material properly, it might be disseminated to educational and cultural institutions or released to the general public. The problem of how this might be done within security limitations was debated, and it was agreed that the matter should be given further close consideration. It was thought that Mr. Andrew Berding, who is moving from USIA to the position of Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs, might have ideas based on his experience in USIA as to how this can be accomplished and might be the proper person to follow through with this idea.

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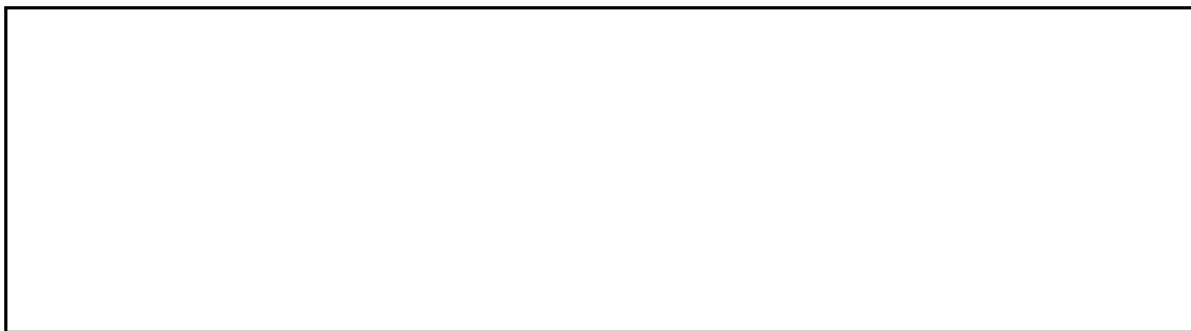


4. Polish Econ Delegation

Mr. Cutler raised the matter of the current negotiations with the Polish Delegation and referred to the difficulties being experienced in finding a method of dealing with the Delegation. He also referred to problems with the Congress relating to this matter. Mr. Stassen and the DCI shared the opinion that this is one of the most important matters facing the US at present, ranking with the Suez matter. It was generally agreed that a way must be found for extending some degree of aid to Poland. One idea which is being considered is that of effecting a multi-lateral aid program to include other nations such as West Germany. Mr. Herter said that an important difficulty in the negotiations is the lack of information on Poland's economic and political commitments to the Soviet Union and the extent to which Poland supports Soviet troops in their country.

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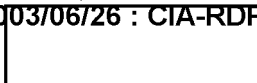
5. Review of NSC 5518 (Indonesia)



6. Proposed Press Release - Operation Alert, 1957

Mr. Stassen suggested that the release on Operation Alert 1957 be deferred until the disarmament conference in London is well underway, and we can be reasonably sure that the release will not have any damaging effect on the conference. Mr. Stassen raised a general objection to that part of the release which refers to "theoretical nuclear attacks" and felt that it should not prognosticate on events which might take place during the exercise. (This has been referred back to the CIA representative on the committee which reviewed this release.)

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ALLEN W. DULLES
Director

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